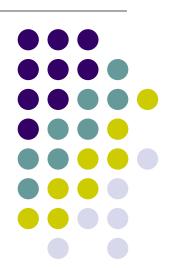
# Reactive N monitoring in RMNP and NE Colorado November 2014 status update

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### **Monitoring Objectives**

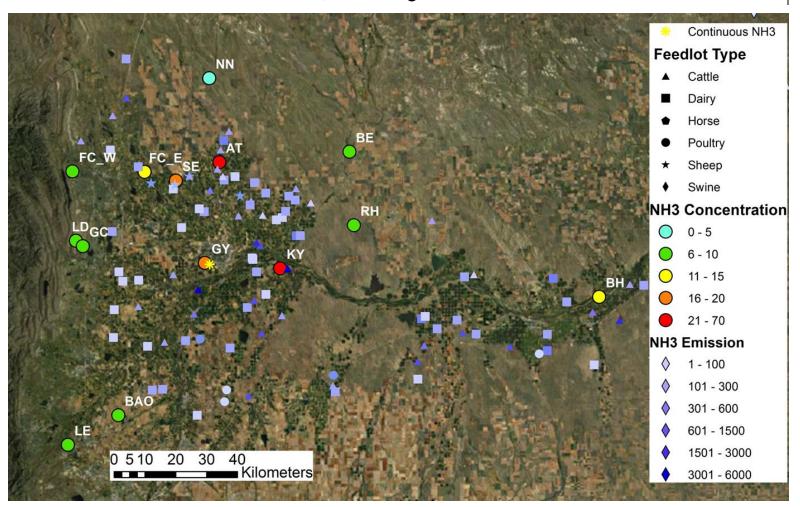
- NE Colorado
  - Monitor and track changes in ammonia concentration in the Front Range/NE CO
  - Help separate contributions from agriculture and other activities to Front Range/NE CO ammonia
- Rocky Mountain NP
  - Monitor and track changes in total reactive N deposition at RMNP
  - Apportion total deposited N to oxidized (HNO<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>), reduced (NH<sub>3</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) and organic N compounds
  - Support apportionment of contributions of source regions and source sectors to N deposition

### Reactive N monitoring status

- Ammonia in NE Colorado (mid-March mid-Oct)
  - NE CO passive NH<sub>3</sub> weekly monitoring network (funded 2014+ by CSU Ag Expt. Station/USDA)
  - High time resolution (~minutes) NH<sub>3</sub> monitor to examine concentration vs. wind direction
    - Site operated in Greeley in 2014
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> site planned west of Loveland
- Oxidized and reduced nitrogen gases, particles, and wet deposition in RMNP (mid-March – mid-Oct)
  - 24 hr samples of gaseous ammonia and nitric acid and fine particle ammonium and nitrate (funded 2014/15 by NPS)
  - ~48 hr wet deposition samples of ammonium, nitrate and organic nitrogen (funded 2014/15 by NPS)
  - Continuous measurement option (EPA proposal pending)

## **NE Colorado passive ammonia**

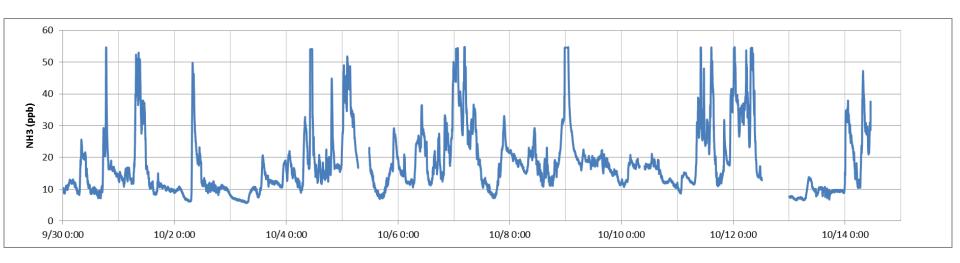
Summertime average NH<sub>3</sub> concentrations (ppbv)



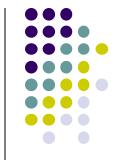
#### **Greeley 2014 ammonia monitoring**

- High time resolution measurements at CDPHE Greeley shelter from end of July through mid-October
- 2015 measurements will run mid-Mar through mid-Oct

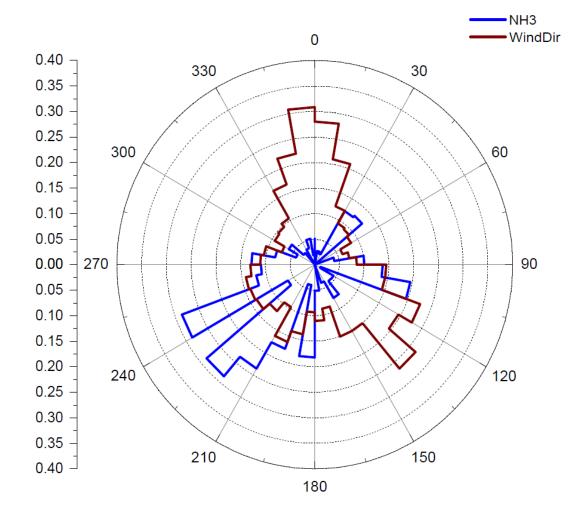




#### **Greeley 2014 ammonia monitoring**



 Initial look at distribution of local winds and highest (90<sup>th</sup> percentile) ammonia concentrations



#### West Loveland monitoring plans



- Site selection underway
  - Shelter options investigated
- Funds received from CDPHE for ammonia monitor and met station
- 2015 monitoring funds pending from NRCS

#### **NE Colorado funding status**

- Greeley equipment (CDPHE) and monitoring (EPA) covered for 2014 and 2015
- West Loveland equipment (CDPHE) and monitoring (NRCS)
  - TBD site costs
- Additional funding needed for NE Colorado monitoring beyond 2015
  - Monitoring budget ~\$60K/yr
  - CDPHE committed \$5K/yr
  - West Greeley Conservation District \$5K/yr
  - NRCS planning support beyond 2015
  - Additional producer funding needed (Match to NRCS)
    - can make (tax deductible) contribution to CSU



